



BULLETIN

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DOC HITS DETROIT AND TUSCOLA AGAIN

MCO has received notification that the Department of Corrections is announcing to staff at noon today the closure of the **Ryan Correctional Facility and the Tuscola Re-Entry Facility**.

It has now become apparent the rumors early this week regarding the possible reopening of Mound were completely false and that in fact the opposite is true -- even worse news for Detroit. MCO members are continuing to take blows as this Administration apparently re-designs this Department.

The Department will reopen the Ryan Facility under the FOA Division as a Michigan Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative (MPRI) facility.

The dialysis unit at Ryan will remain open. A certain number of CO positions will remain at the facility for that unit as well as for any MPRI position needs. However, a significant number of officer positions will be eliminated.

In addition, the Department will re-open the Muskegon Correctional Facility. The West Shoreline Correctional Facility will remain open.

The Department has indicated a target date of October 1, 2012, for all facilities.

Under the terms of the contract, MCO will sit down with the Department to discuss the ramifications of this closure and to create a bumping area - with the goal of coming to a mutual agreement that will mitigate the impact to members as much as possible.

This process will take several weeks, so while it is understandably difficult, we ask for your patience. Any developing information will be passed along.

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